DPMS PTO

General Meeting Minutes

10/5/10 6:30pm DePere Middle School Conference Room

**Members Present**: Susan Kleis, Jackie Jocewicz, Tammy Woulf, Peg Hau, Traci Lacrosse, Jen Kleveno, Laura Sinclair, Ruth Wellens, Jodi Beno, Melissa Randall, Jackie Groth

**Board Minutes approved from the September meeting.**

**Treasurers Report**: Jackie Jocewicz reviewed the 2009/2010 versus the proposed 2010/2011 budget. The budget was discussed and agreed upon. It will be posted with the November meeting minutes.

Items approved for the 2010-2011 budget:

* Bird house transportation for community service - $300
* Mrs. Briggs archery club $200/yr for arrows. This is a non-school sponsored activity.
* Book study - $500 for books
* Trivia prizes $250/yr annual event.
* Positive rewards$240/yr annual event. Now called Redbird Reinforcements.
* Recess toys-tether ball - $2000.00 This would include the purchase of new balls and tether ball poles. Ms. Woulf will explore the cost of tether ball poles and report this information at the November meeting.
* Community walk (5 K) $600 This will cover water for the students and a small item for completing the run/walk. Melissa Randall will look into companies supporting the purchasing of water for the students.
* 1 time purchase 2nd semester Read Around - $250.00
* Mimio/technology - $5000.00. This would cover approximately 2 MIMIO’s for the Middle School
* Nutrition Conference – Last year the staff did not attend this but are hoping to go this year. We have budgeted $290.00.

**Principal’s Report**:

* Sherri Van Rossum will be available during the parent teacher conferences in November to show parents how the MIMIO systems operate.
* Mid quarter grades are available on the parent portal as of October 1
* Math nights are coming: 7th grade math family night will be October 25th 6 – 6:45 PM. 8th grade will also have a math night, the time is yet to be decided.
* In the previous meeting the PTO discussed ways to utilize PTO money. One idea was lack of air conditioning in the gym. Tammy reported that an air conditioning estimate quote was approximately $650,000.00. Fans were also discussed which seemed more appropriate. Tammy will look into cost for fans. Wall mounted fans were not suggested because of the noise level generated. We will table this idea at this time.
* Inspire Calculators – The new math series requires Inspire Calculators. It was discussed that the calculators may be beneficial to introduce the children to the calculator prior to having to purchase these in high school. We discussed purchasing 14 – 28 calculators for the students to use while at school. The calculators cost approximately $125.00. Specifics regarding cost will be provided at the next meeting.
* Extra power cords for the MIMIO’s. The cost and specifics will be presented at the next meeting.

**Old Business**:

* Melissa Randall completed the consolidated volunteer sheets – Thank you!
* Susan Kleis completed the contact listing of PTO chairpersons and members – Thank you!
* Peg Hau completed the school directory and it has been distributed to the students – Thanks Tracy Schrader for helping!
* 8th grade “Transition” T-Shirts was deferred to the next meeting because of time constraints.
* PTO Website – There are difficulties viewing the website. Susan will contact Tracy.

**Fundraiser Activities/updates**:

Packer Pro Shop – Still need volunteers for the following games:

Sunday, October 17- (2) Miami Dolphins – Noon

Sunday, November 7 (3) Dallas Cowboys – 7:20 p.m.

Sunday, December 26 (1) New York Giants – 3:15 p.m.

Sunday, January 2 (3) Chicago Bears – Noon

Yankee Candle – This is the first year for this fund raiser, Jackie Groth has offered to chair this. We have budgeted for this fundraiser to make $800.00. The fund raiser is scheduled to run prior to the Holiday Season.

Entertainment Books – Stephanie is heading this up and so far it is running smoothly. The books have been distributed to students. This is budgeted to bring in $2000.00.

Box Tops – Susan will contact Claudia Elsner to see if she will be willing to coordinate the Box Tops fund raiser once again this year.

**New Business:**

Student Council Update – It was discussed that a member of the student council will attend a PTO meeting and provide an update of the Student Council activities. This may become a regular agenda item. The student council elections are Nov 2nd.

Vision Screening – Cindi Winters has volunteer names and is coordinating the vision and hearing screening at school. She would appreciate if a member of the PTO would be able to chair this area and call for volunteers to assist with the screenings.

Next Board Meeting: November 2, 6:30 p.m., at the Vault in De Pere, 127 N Broadway.

Respectfully submitted,

Peg Hau, PTO Secretary